very premature; but it is not the more either the ass, nor even Lebau Rollin, although of the ultra republione or the other, because the Times and the Morning Chronicle ridicule and "pooh-pooh" the statement and every thing connected with it, and the Tory and Conservative parties are warning their powerful nations of Europe. adherents against any committal to or fraternization with "the turncoat and traitor PEEL." division in the House of Commons upon Mr. HUME's reform motion will reveal some of the secrets of our political leaders.

The commerce of Great Britain is now said to be flourishing, a thing scarcely to be expected in the present state of continental Europe, and with the impediments thrown in the way of so many of our markets. The Greenland seal fishery is stated to have completely failed, owing to the greater part of the ships employed therein having been locked up in the ice and the prevalence of strong easterly winds during the season. The greatest quantity of ice was found in lat. 71 deg. 40 min. north.

The newspapers will inform you of the death of Lord ASHBURTON, who will be well remembered in Washington. His character, as a man and a statesman, received the highest possible praise from men of all parties in the House of Lords. It is remarkable that his death should so soon have succeeded those of two of his brothers.

We are calm and tranquil throughout our land, and peace and a reasonable share of prosperity appear to extend to all our borders. The sun looks down upon us from an almost cloudless sky, and the earth reflects his rays from a bright surface of Minister could resist the inevitable impulse and vote of the the greenest verdure. England is now in her best National Assembly to march at once to the liberation of Italy: array, and deserves all that her admirers have said No later than on Monday last, M. BASTIDE, the Minister for of her. The month of May is again for once the Foreign Affairs, declared in the Assembly that "the Govern- ecclesiastical subordination and heirarchical rule;" May of the poet, and all the external influences of Nature are cheering and the promises of the future encouraging. But rather too much of this; more serious matters claim our attention. There has not been much business of importance

in Parliament during the last week. Mr. Hors-MAN. M. P. for Cockermouth, has brought forward one of his searching motions in respect to church patronage and abuse, and has arrayed a string of figures and statistics in support of his charges which cannot well be got will abundantly prove the necessity for his motion that "an inquiry be made into the state of our cathedral and collegiate. churches, with a view of ascertaining whether they may not * be rendered more conducive to the services of the church and the spiritual instruction of the people." In the first place, Mr. Horsman offered to prove that, " wherever these veherdiocese to diocese, and to show from one end of the country to the other, that they, in every instance, tend to the weak- and legislators. ening rather than the promotion of Christianity." This is, political porties than has hitherto been displayed.

ness. MITCHELL has been committed to prison under the new prince or a minister, and to establish the rights of humanity. law for sedition. O'BRIEN and MEAGRER have had their trials and been acquitted, owing to a want of agreement by the juries in their verdicts. Both these gentlemen are thought LAND and BELGIUM. One, however, is the silence of politito be sufficiently rejoiced in their escape to keep within proper cal torpor and inanity; the other, the healthy quietness of and discreet bounds for the future.

FRANCE is yet the centre of attraction, and it unfortunately still continues the chief point of action. Another demonstration has taken place in Paris, which for a time threatened the most serious consequences, but it has been subdued, and happily almost without bloodshed. The more violent of tinue, and we have had the expression of a hope from Ministhe democrats got up, on Monday last, a sort of ters in the British House of Commons that such negotiations procession in favor of the Poles; at least, under would terminate favorably. There is great excitement at that pretext, they marched in a considerably body Berlin, Colorne, and other places, caused by the proposed to the legislative chamber, and found it from the recall of the Prince of Paussia, who, although the presumptreason, it is feared, of Gen. Courtais, who commanded the national guard) inefficiently protected. Should the King and the Ministry persist in the recall of the The mob broke into the chamber, mounted the tri- Prince they will find something else to do besides fighting the bune, invaded the President's chair, harangued, Danes in Holstein-Schleswig, or manouvring to place the made motions for the dissolution of the existing | Crown of federal Germany upon the head of the descendant temporary Government, and of course carried every thing by acclamation. They then marched off to the Hotel de Ville to constitute a new Provisional cannot discover how. Nor do our strained faculties enable us Government, to consist of BARBES, ALBERT, LOUIS to talk with knowledge about Austria; all reports and ru-BLANC, FLOCON, BLANQUI, RASPAIL, and CABET. more take their color so much from the feelings, if not preju-LEDRU ROLLIN was proposed, but rejected as "a traitor to the cause of the people." The national guard, however, very soon mustered for the protectionshing has been done in Germany yet but talking, and what tion of the chamber, the members resumed their sitting, and has really been said we have no satisfactory means of ascerordered the arrest of the seditious. The Hotel de Ville was forthwith cleared of the anarchists. In a very short time the the late turbulent proceedings seem to have reused the spirit leaders were all arrested, and Barbes, Albert, Thore, Cour- of the more moderate and intelligent classes, who begin to tais, Blanqui, Cabet, and Raspail, and several others convey- feel the necessity of putting a stop to such scenes, if they wish ed as prisoners to Vincennes. Sobbies and nearly the whole to prevent the State from being plunged into the very vortex of that dangerous party, the Montagnards, have also been of communism. captured. "This outbreak," says the Daily News, "has been more ridiculous than dangerous, and overwhelms the perpetrators under the weight of its absurdity. Barbes, Blanqui, and Blanc are more worthy the stocks than the guillotine." But Gen. Courtais, if really guilty of treason, ought to be visited with the severest and most solemn inflictions of the law. He has been impeached by the chamber. When offering to address the national guard he was seized by one of them, his epaulets cut off, his sword taken from him, and his person treated with the greatest indignity. He is an old man, and has hitherto maintained a high character. M. CLEMENT THOMAS, a very discreet and brave man, who aided most materially in restoring order, has been placed by acclamation at the head of the national guard. He was previously colonel of the second legion, and a representative from the department of the Seine. He possesses the confidence of all parties. Again has LAMARTINE shown himself to be the ruling spirit of France, and universally wherever he showed himself during the emeute was he hailed as such. Whereever danger was to be faced or work was to be done, either by persuasion or force, there was LAMARTINE; and it is due in justice to LEDRU ROLLIN to say that he was at his side, forwarding the good work of restoration. The enemies of France, who wish to ostracise LAMARTINE

as a punishment for his desire to conciliate the people, and

NATIONAL NTBALIGENCER.

FROM OUR EUROPEAN CORRESPONDENT—
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London, May 18, 1848.

I said in my last that, in my opinion, Sir Roment surse than Lord John Kressell. Since that date public rumor has more thin echoed my opinion. The Hard's Aftertriser, a highly respectable country by clarate and week spinished in stating that from arrangements made as instituted in stating that from arrangements made as in the station of the Subspaces report as the there were defined form, and we believe we are instituted in stating that from arrangements made as in the May of the Subspaces report as the Hard were the statistical structure of the Subspaces report as the first of the republic more definite form in every department of the Subspaces report of the Subspaces report as the first of the status and distributed around the status of the Subspaces report as the curacy, with a seven in the subspace of the status and the Now, this may be very improbable, or at least nor must such men as Abaco and Marie and Garsten Pacan school, be set aside as unworthy of trust. The best men of all parties must unite, if France is to be saved from anarchy and confusion, and to retain her place among the civilized and

Whatever may be our opinion as to the practicability of establishing in France or any part of Europe an absolutely republican form of government, according to the idea attached thereto in the United States, we are decidedly of opinion that a graduated state of society is the most natural, and consequently the most durable as well as most just, provided Nature is allowed to operate freely in forming these gradations, and in procuring for virtue, industry, and talent, the authority, influence, and respect justly accruing to them. At the same time we know, from long and happy experience, that a republic in the fullest sense and meaning of the term is not necessarily a state of anarchy, of disregard to all eminence, or of hostility to all property. Rightly constituted and administered it is eminently the reverse; but we doubt its adaptation to the wants, the habits, and the position of any European people, and we are fortified in our opinion by those who know both the United States and the continent of Europe much better than we can pretend to do.

The chief danger to France appears to us to lie in war. The Austrians seem not only bent on defence, but on the reconquest of Lombardy. Not only is NUGENT marching to reduce Venice and reinforce the line of the Adige, but by the last accounts an Austrian force is threatening to break through the neutrality of Switzerland and enter the Grisons, in order to menace Milan. It is hardly to be expected that any French the internal organization of the country; it would endeavor out-of-doors common sense. 'as much as possible to avoid war, but it, from the course of gress of circumstances." M. LAMARTINE has confirmed these sentiments of M. BASTIDE.

M. BERANGER's resignation of his seat in the National Convention has been accepted on a second application. The upwards. President wrote a most complimentary letter, in the name of able cathedral establishments were seen to raise their the whole Assembly, refusing to accede to the first application. heads, there dissent would be found to be most active So much for France. I have not alluded to her financial diffiand most rife." "He was prepared to take the House from culties, although these, in common times, would have been sufficient to engage the undivided attention of her statesmen

We have nothing new from Spain, except an insurrection indeed, a strong statement, but it is made good, at least in the at Madrid, partly civil and partly military, which soon ended instance which he quoted, that of Lincoln. In that city there in the complete discomfiture of the insurgents, and a termble are thirteen churches belonging to the establishment, of which vengeance taken upon them by numerous executions. But nine are open for morning service, three for afternoon, and there is a spirit of discontent with the military government of ing services 1,013, at the afternoon 175, and at the evening too, that have any idea of national dignity and popular rights, 1,075, making a total of 2,263. On the same day the at- which will not be long repressed. The government of Nantendances at the ten dissenting chapels were, in the morning VAEZ and CRRISTINA can never trust the people, they can 2,565, and in the evening 3,102, making a total of 5,667. only rule by despotism and the military. This would be diffi-The greatest number attending the churches was 1,075, that cult enough with resources at command, with finances in a attending the chapels 3,102, or nearly three to one. Mr. good state, and with the authority "that doth hedge a king" to Housman's statements produced a great effect upon the sanction arbitrary rule. Nanvaez has none of these advanwas almost generally tages. His exchequer is empty, and he has overdrawn the the impression is that the Administration will bring it forward giments, whose swords, cutting the people one day, are as in some other equally effective shape. There will be serious likely as not to be employed on the next against their employand long discussions next week upon the subject of the navi- ers. Spain is on the eve of a revolution, and it will be a regation laws, and probably a sharper trial of strength between volution of the worst sort, for it will be one of partisans embittered against and hating each other; and not a rising of In Ingrand all appears to be fast settling down in quiet- the people in their majesty to put down lawless misrule in a From Postugat we have not a single item of news; and there is the same silence as respects the public affairs of HoLprosperity and peace.

> PRUSSIA is not quiet, nor, we fear, likely to be so; he quarrel with DENMARK is not yet settled, and if she carries it on a little further she may perhaps have Russia, and will certainly number Sweden among her opponents. Rumors of negotiations through the mediation of England still conof Frederick the Great. The Polish cause is said to be advancing : we, although diligent readers and attentive listeners, dices, of the relater, that we are afraid to quote or refer to them. When deeds are done they speak for themselves, but taining. All is stated, however, to be quiet in VIENNA, and

From ITALY we have nothing certain. The Pope is said to be yet firm against declaring war against Austria, but some thousands of his troops have joined the Italian army in Lombardy; so that his authority as a temporal prince, even in the States of the Church, seems to be in abeyance. NAPLES 35pears to be hearty in the cause; sixteen thousand of her sol diers have joined the Italian army, and her ficet has been sent to the Adriatic with troops to menace Trieste and protect Venice. It is well, however, if it does not turn out in the end that there is more of cabal and intrigue and selfish policy among the Italian princes than there is of patriotism or public spirit; but nous verrons, as you say at Washington, GREECE has had two or three little political flurries, which

have left her pretty much as they found her, weak and vacillating. Tunker has also been agitated, but we know little about the cause of the agitation or its consequences.

There is no certain information of the death of the Pacha of Egypt, though reports a month ago represented him as dying, and sundry speculations were indulged in respecting the consequences of his death.

In Literary matters, the productions of two ladies undoubtedly take precedence : the one is Mrs. SOMERVILLE'S "Physical Geography," in two volumes 8vo., which a leading review says " does not contain a single sentiment which the Christian or the Philosopher disowns." This is certainly an absolute

fill soon perceive are futility [condensation of praise, and leaves nothing more to be said, plot. The first legion of the astional guard, which is the is that on which the hands revolve with a uniform motion. Which give such value to the transits of Venus for purposes

of course, be included the 150 members of the left centre of the ex-chamber. Indeed, it is apparent that the government must ere long fall into the hands of the leaders of this party. The present executive, with their cabinet of clerks, is a subject of common ridicule. M. Theirs will soon be returned for one of the departments, and a subject of common ridicule. M. Theirs will soon be returned for one of the departments, and a paper in his hand, which he thrust into his mouth and the left centre of the old chamber must have not begins to gain ground that the issue will be a constitutional system, like that of England, under a regency, with M. Theirs for the Prime (Minister.)"

It is said that the Executive Commission and the insurrection in Paris. The great point of solicitude in the Executive Commission and attention on Taesday night was the Prefecture of Police.

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This is the last news from Paris. I give it erbatim, but know nothing of its correctness. It is denied now that either Blanqui, Thoré, Raspail, or Cabet, have been arrested. General CAVAIGNAC is appointed Minister of War, and M. TROUVE CHAUVEL Prefect of Police, in place of M. CAUSSIDIERE, who resigned. General Cour-TAIS is in a very depressed state. He refuses all nourishment, and says that he prefers death to dishonor. The French funds had further improved. The threes closing at 481, and the fives at 714. More than 200 hundred arrests had taken place in Paris.

News from Rome states that the Austrian Ambassador had received his passports, and was to leave that city on the 7th. It appears that the Pope declines to make a formal and official declaration of war against Austria, "because his doing so would involve a very serious question of No intervention had been demanded by Italy, and conse- of Italy from all foreigners; and he blessed the wished to carry out a system of moderation; it aimed at no but refusing the shadow! It may be good logic

Sir STRATFORD CANNING, it appears, had entered circumstances, such an event was unfortunately to take place, into negotiations with the Austrian cabinet, in over. I will only mention two facts stated by him, which 'it would act with vigor. France would not rush unneces- order to bring about peace between that country sarily into war. Her conduct would depend upon the pro- and Italy. These are suspended for the present in session, these matters, however interesting to many, have not scientific officer of the navy (Lieut. Gilliss) to put to a of her parallax in altitude, as corrected by the observations

FRANCE.

The conspiracy discovered in Paris on the 15th May for the will not admit of their being able to do further harm. Louis is undertaken."

sed ladies even, cheering them in passing. Not a chair reas was unoccupied, nor was there scarcely a possibility of moving in the Boulevards from the crowds of well-dressed people of both sexes, and of workmen mixed up with them, dis in groups what had taken place, and in loud condemnation of the disturbances. This feeling was almost universal. Here and there a fanatic cried vive Barbes! but was immediately surrounded, seized, and carried off to prison. Such was the conduct of the people throughout that important evening. midnight all was quiet.

In the course of the night a regiment of cuirassiers and the idents of the military school of St. Cyr, arrived in Paris, and several regiments of the line from other quarters marched The students of the Polytechnic school turnthe capital. out at the first report of the insurrection, and placed them salves at the dispose selves at the disposal of the Executive Government. When M. Lamartine and M. Ledru Rollin went to the Hotel de Ville n the 15th, the latter, having advanced a few steps before M. amartine, was arrested by the second in command at the Hotel de Ville. M. Ledru Rollin having strongly protested against this, the officer answered, "Tarrest you because your name is in the list of the protended Government that has been coclaimed." M. Ledru Rollin then alighted from his horse, when he was joined by M. Lamartine, who said that he would

answerable for his colleague. Paris was throughout the night of the 15th pretty tranquil Eighty thousand national guards had passed the night ums or in patrolling, but no incident, save one, that could be characterized as violent, occurred after nightfall. The excepon was at the headquarters of citizen Sobrier, whose hor No. 16, in the rue de Rivoli, exactly opposite the Tuilleies) was entered by the people and the firemen and the naal guards. His own body guards of montagnards were seized, disarmed, and ignominiously kicked into the streets; his bureau and private apartment broken into, his papers torn. burnt, the furniture in the premises was smashed, and strict

im was immediately arrested.

There, Barbes, Hubers, Courtain and Blasqui. The na-ional guards seized upon Gen. Courtais, stripped his epau-ettes off his shoulders, and carried them as trophies before hem. M. Caussidiere, the Prefect of the Police, is implicated in the affair, and has been dismissed. Seventy-tve of the body guard kept by the Clubbist, Sobrier, in the bouse of the rue Rivoli, (No. 16) were arrested in the same large quantity of arms and ammunition were found. It was announced that the guard called the montagnards was dis-

"It is said that the Executive Commission and and attention on Tuesday night was the Prefecture of Police. There can be no answer to this argument. You must deny their ministry are at variance with the large ma-jority of the Assembly." The neighborhood was completely blocked up with troops. The Pont Neuf was covered with regiments of infantry of the to adopt all the instruments and appliances necessary to its

DEBATE IN CONGRESS.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JUNE 3, 1848.

The naval appropriation bill being under consideration, (Mr. Rockwell, of Connecticut, in the chair,) Mr. Stanton moved to amend the item appropriating \$30,000 for nautical books, maps, charts, instruments, binding and repairing the same, and all the expenses of the hydrographical office, by striking out \$30,000 and inserting the following in lieu thereof: "Thirty-five thousand dollars, and the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to expend five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in causing the observations to be made which have been recently recommended to the property of the direct of the committee will tolerate one further remark in connexion with this subject. It is aside the clearly and palpably visible to us. It then becomes a question, what immediate gain shall we derive from this proposed to expenditure? Shall we thereby, as is suggested in the report of the committee, facilitate the solution of the problem of the committee, facilitate the solution of the problem of the committee, facilitate the solution of the problem of the committee, facilitate the solution of the expenditure? Shall we thereby, as is suggested in the report of the committee, facilitate the solution of the committee, facilitate the solution of the committee, facilitate the solution of the expenditure? Shall we thereby, as is suggested in the report of the committee, facilitate the solution of the committee, facilitate the solution of the expenditure? Shall we thereby, as is suggested in the report of the committee, facilitate the solution, what immediate gain shall we derive from this proposed of the committee, in the case at present, and important difficulties result from the importance of the subject of operations similar to those of the committee, facilitate the solution, what immediate gain shall we derive from this proposed in the report of the committee, facilitate the solution, what immediate gain shall we derive from the importance of the problem of the committee, facilitate the solution, what immedi Academy of Arts and Sciences."

I support of this motion Mr. STANTON addressed the nmittee as follows:

Mr. Chairman : This subject was brought to the notice of the Committee on Naval Affairs by a letter from the Secretary *ment felt the greatest sympathy for Italy, and that if aid was yet war is actually waged with the Pope's full approval and hearty concurrence for the liberation between Lieut. Gilliss, of the Navy, and many distinguished scientific men in this country and Europe. The committee, quently France had not been placed in a position to grant or refuse it. The Government now established in France Italy. This is certainly granting the substance, twished to correspondence alluded to was embodied, and that report has wished to carry out a system of moderation; it aimed at no but refusing the shadow! It may be good logic been for some weeks in the possession of the House. The conquests; its greatest ambition was to be strong at home by in a conclave of Cardinals, but it is at war with proposition has been favorably noticed in many of the leading mals of the country without distinction of party.

consequence of new ministerial arrangements at attracted general notice, and I therefore propose to submit a practical test the method proposed by General, of Marburg, brief explanation of the objects of this amendment.

seven for evening service. The population of Lincoln is adopted to prevent a recurrence of physical display by the memabout 13,000. Of these there were present at the nine mornof professions and education, and with all of the lower class.

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Vaignachas been appointed Minister of War, and M. Trouve Chouwel, Prefect of Police.

After the mob had been driven out of the hall of the National Assembly on the 15th, they marched to the Hotel de Ville to appoint a Committee of Public Safety, and MM. Barbes, Albert, and the other ministers of the would be new Provisional Government had just commenced in the identical room in which Robespierre and his associates were seized, their functions as Directors, when the national guard entered.

The method just explained be less favorable; and, indeed, it is said by astronomers that for a period of something like a thousand years there will not occur a transit of this planet under circumstances equally favorable for this purpose as that of 1769. The demands of wormstee in all probability take any greater interest in it, or understand it with greater clearness.

Perhaps it is as well to state here to the committee that other methods for the ascertainment of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will take place and thence that of the sun, may by an interest will be less favorable will be say computation be deduced. The method just explained is in its essential particulars that of Gerling; it is not necessary to say to compute will be say to compute any to make the planet, and thence that of the sun, and thence that of the sun, and thence will be any computation be deduced. The method is in its reservable will be any computed with committee any computed wi their functions as Directors, when the national guard entered for observation. The general voice of astronomers and scibeen proposed and adopted; one of these, and perhaps the building from the rear, which had been totally unguarded, entific men seems to establish the great probability that the the building from the rear, which had been totally unguarded, pounced upon the pseudo government, and after a struggle, in which M. Barbes in particular ran some risk, carried them off prisoners. Citizen Sobrier in the interim repaired to the Minister of the Interior with his montagnards, and demanded minister of the Interior with his montagnards, and demanded report. I will only quote a short passage from the letter of minister of the Minist

obtained from the transit of venus, there are unlessed as of the city—the people and the women, the best of opinion expressed. I do not see, however, that the two dies even, cheering them in passing. Not a chair reasons which strongly favor Dr. Gerling's method are met

I propose to say a few words upon the importance of the to show in what manner they connect themselves with the to show in what manner they connect themselves with the interests of the Government. It might be sufficient for this purpose, in a general point of view, to refer to the fact stated in the report, that, for the observation of the transit of 1769, astronomers spread themselves over the whole world, at much the astronomers spread themselves over the whole world, at much the astronomers spread themselves over the whole world, at much the sufficient for this purpose, in a general point of view, to refer to the fact stated and subjected to the charge of forgery, it being pretty generally believed that he computed his observations from the astronomers spread themselves over the whole world, at much the subjected to the charge of forgery, it being pretty generally believed that he computed his observations from the astronomers. purpose, in a general point of view, to refer to the fact and a few points of the transit of 1769, amount of parallax as deduced by other observers. It is upon astronomers spread themselves over the whole world, at much the remaining observations, these being set aside, that the expense and labor, in order to get the benefit of the great amount of parallax, as at present received, of eight seconds the case, had there not been an immense practical value connected with the results of this important labor.

But, to enter a little more into particulars. some irregularities in the moon's orbit which our present knowledge of the solar system does not enable us to explain. If the committee were tired of the subject he would proceed no further in it. [Cries of "Go on; we want to hear it."] It is obvious, therefore, in c leulating the position of the moon for two or three years to come, which is always done in the Nautical Almanac, there must be an error greater or less in the place assigned to this luminary by the tables. This error has a direct bearing upon the safety of distance assigned to the sun might entirely explain these anomalous motions of the moon. It is certain that if the calculated distance of the sun from the earth be changed, the path of the moon will be to some extent different from that attr ted to it by the present tables. Great practical good may, therefore, result from the new investigation of

search made for the citizen himself, who, for anytely for him, was at that moment on the other side of the water.

I know there are some genuemen present any object to the appropriation upon constitutional ground by object to the appropriation upon constitution and the propriation upon constitution and the propriat I know there are some gentlemen present who will probapassage Moliere, and another was very severely wounded at the corner of the Hotel de Ville itself. The man who shot that this Government has no power to do any thing for the A vast number of prisoners was arrested, among whom were Sobrier, Raspail, Cabet, Albert, (ouvrier.) lately a member of the Provisional Government, Toulin & Maitre Boquet, Thore, Barbes, Hubert, Courtais and Blanqui. The native of the Courtain and Blanqui. The native of the Courtain and Blanqui. utility of this investigation in its bearing upon the material interests of the Government. It is indispensable to the interests of navigation, and is, therefore, within the competency of the Government, because its navy must be sent to all parts of the world.

In reference to the important problem of longitude, and for the purpose of illustration, I will read a passage from Herpopular treatise on Astronomy :

to adopt all the instruments and appliances necessary to its

will be of actual benefit to the Covernment. I hope one day to see a different system adopted in reference to the survey of

servations to be made which have been recently recommended to him by the American Philosophical society and the it will not be without its weight. The Government of the United States, it is acknowledged, has contributed but little to the world. The proposed expedition to the Southern hemi-sphere will be a slight offering on our part in return for the sphere will be a slight offering on our part in return for the thousand obligations we have incurred to the labors and science of the old world. Indeed, the accuracy and efficiency of the very instruments we must use in conducting these observations, and all the tables of which our Government and people must avail themselves in navigation, are chiefly due to the investigations and labors of European astronomers. I hope we shall not refuse to take this single step towards repaying our national debt to the science of the world. our national debt to the science of the world.

Mr. EVANS, of Maryland, said that the object of th If this report and these notices of it had received the attention of members of the House, it would be unnecessary for me to offer any remarks on the subject. But I fear, in the stirring political events and movements of this part of the expedition for the purpose of giving on opportunity to a the stirring political events and movements of this part of the brief explanation of the objects of this amendment.

I commence by quoting the resolution of the "American Academy of Arts and Sciences," Boston and Cambridge,
January 15, 1848, in the following words:

brief explanation of the objects of this amendment:

for ascertaining the sun's parallax. This method, for the sake of distinction, he should call "Gerling's Method," though it had been suggested by other astronomers many years since, in the altitudes is not of considerable importance, while such "Resolved, That in the opinion of this Academy the enterprise for determining the solar parallax, in the method proposed in the correspondence between Lieut. Gilliss and Dr. Gerling, is worthy to be promoted by the Government of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition to Chiloe, both on activation of the United States by sending an expedition of the United States overturn of the Republic and the establishment of Terrorism has been signally defeated, and the greater portion of the wretched promoters of this insane movement are now either in the hands of the authorities or reduced to a condition which which attempt will prove successfully defeated, and the greater portion of the probability that this attempt will prove successfully defeated, and the greater portion of the great uncertainty which attends the adopted for around the form of the common allowance made when the lower limb of the common allowance made when the lower limb of the authorities or reduced to a condition which it is attempt will prove successfully and thus redound to the honor of the country by which it is undertaken."

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detect of the secret clubs.

The alliance of the troops of the line and national guard is fully depended on, and M. Lamartine's popularity has been effectually restored. Still a feeling is widely prevalent that the Government is feeble and the ultra-democratic party in the Government is feeble and the ultra-democratic party in the constraints.

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military posts to his faithful followers. He was admitted, but will be acknowledged by us all. He says, page 51, of the tions made upon Mars in opposition; by these means the parally to be arrested. His hundred partisans were disarmed, and that of the sun by any opposing arguments.

"The large number of observations upon which results may be founded, and the independence of the new method with that formerly used, are indeed striking features in this method. Independent methods give the best confirmation of results, or show errors beyond the accidental error deduced from calculation of observations which are all made by the same method."

"The large number of observations upon which results may be founded, and the independence of the new method with the same of 1769 engaged the utmost attention of all the astronomers of the world. Expeditions were fitted out for almost every part of the globe where that phenomenon was visible, and observations upon it were made at Paris, at Greenwich, at Wardhus, at Pekin, on the island of Observations upon it were made at Paris, at Greenwich, at Wardhus, at Pekin, on the island of Observations upon it were made at Paris, at Greenwich, at Wardhus, at Pekin, on the island of Observations upon it were made at Checken in 1705, while the last transit will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not be seen upon the sun's disc. The transit of 1769 engaged the utmost attention of all the astronomers of the world. Expeditions were fitted out for almost every part of the globe where that phenomenon was visible, and observations upon it were made at the conjunctions in 1705, and 1705, while the part of the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. At the intermediate conjunctions the planet will not occur until the year 1874. A mediate conjunctions the planet will not be seen upon the sun's disc. The transit of 1769 engaged the utmost atten-Otaheite, at Kola, at Santa Ana in California, and at a num ion to be derived from the proposed observations, and Péne Hell, have been considerably distrusted, and those made ber of other places. The observations at Wardhus, made by

and fifty-eight hundredths, rests for its accuracy.

Mr. E. further observed that it will, if the committee are this place to explain what this parallax is whose Well, then, the committee will understand that the sun's parallax is the angle under which the semi-diameter of the added to the observed in order to obtain the real place. ction is of constant use among astronomers and naviga-Its effect has been very accurately stated by the gentleman from Tennessee, (Mr. STANTON;) it will not, there-fore, be necessary to say more upon it at this time. Now, to return for a moment to the transit of Venus, as

observed in 1769. The committee, from what has just been said, will readily perceive that two persons very distant from each other on the earth's surface will see the planet upon different portions of the sun's disc. To the one it may appear to describe a path passing much nearer to the sun's centre than it will to the other. Then, by ascertaining as accurately as possible the instants of external and internal contacts, the times of describing these paths will be ascertained, and the time will be longer to that observer by whom the planet is seen projected nearest the sun's centre. From the difference of these times the differences of the parallaxes of Venus and the sun may be determined, and then, by Kepler's law, the true amount of either. This method is unquestionably the large quantity of arms and ammunition were found. It was announced that the guard called the montagnards was disbonded. Persons who were in the room with M. Barbes were also arrested and conducted to prison. These arrests are said to amount to at least sixty. On many persons were found pistols, daggers, and on some letters from the chiefs of the

which are now sought to be effected by the proposed expedition and observations, made after the method of Gerling. It was noticed, however, by the observers in 1769, that there was a difficulty about the exact instant of internal contact, owing to certain phenomena of light which prevented the planet at that instant from appearing perfectly circular, the edge nearest that has no contact the contact that instant from appearing perfectly circular, the edge nearest that in the contact that it is a planet or to be a contact to the contact that it is a planet or the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a planet or to the contact that it is a plan the limb of the sun appearing to run out into a band or to spread into drops, so that the time of the first internal contact was delayed, and that of the last accelerated. However, taken altogether, no other method yet proposed seems to approach this in accuracy, and a very full discussion of the observations of 1769 by a number of astronomers, Encke among the rest, have fixed the parallax at eight seconds and fiftyeight-hundredths. A very good article upon its amount by De Ferrer will be found in the fifth volume of the Transactions of the Astronomical Society; and it is observed by him, and confirmed by Encke, that the amount just mentioned of eight seconds and fifty-eight-hundredths is the mean parallax, without a likelihood of error amounting to three-h of a second. The whole error may exceed this, but it is doubtful if it exceed five hundredths of a second of space. Now, it is proposed, by means of observations made, as before remarked, in this city, and upon the west coast of South

to purchase a sextant to ascertain its true indications. rendered easy, and there can be no doubt but that those very labors have conduced to make us what we are—one of the very greatest naval Powers of the world. Common justice, The Pont Neuf was covered with regiments of intantity of the line and of the guard mobile so as to leave barely room for a perfection.

But, sir, it is not in navigation only that this expedition research and scientific investigation. But, sir, we are accuswill be of actual benefit to the Government. I hope one day to see a different system adopted in reference to the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minost possible accuracy will prevail—in which the meridian lines shall be true meridians, and the meridian lines actual recalls and scientific investigation. But, sir, we are accustomed to consider every question practically, and to desire that the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor prevail of every undertaking should at once prevail—in which the meridian lines actual recalls and scientific investigation. But, sir, we are accustomed to consider every question practically, and to desire that the mass public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor provided in the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor provided in the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor provided in the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor provided in the survey of our vast public domain—a system of topographical examination and survey, in which the minor provided in the survey of the survey

the interchange of scientific knowledge among the nations of 'the perfection of the lunar tables is in a measure dependant tables. Again, it may be said that in the method of lunar distances for the determination of the longitude, the parallax proposed to be made, is a matter of some importance; but it s pretty evident that these corrections are extremely minute, n the altitudes is not of considerable importance, while such a terror in the distance would be fatal. Indeed, the whole an error in the distance would be fatal. amount of the parallax in altitude may be merged in other corrections: for example, in that for the dip, which depends upon the altitude of the observer's eye above the level of the being neglected, as in fact the instruments in use at sea, both Blanc, however, is still at liberty, although there are strong grounds for suspecting that he was actually with the conspirators during the two hours that he was absent from the National Assembly on Monday. The strongest means have been all Assembly on Monday. The strongest means have been determined with a strongest means have been adouted to prevent a recurrence of physical danay by the mean. will not be materially affected by small corrections of parallax.

The next question is, will the suh's parallax probably be

ascendant, but the presumption is scattcely warranted, judging from the results of the determined bearing exhibited by the majority of the interim Government. Advices from Paris of Thursday evening state that the city had been perfectly tranquild during the day. The number of arrests amounted to upwards of two hundred up to that time. Blanqui and Flotte, wards of two hundred up to that time. Blanqui and Flotte, when there will be apparent to the committent the sun's parallax is appreciable, as it is said to be in the determine the annual parallax of those from Washington as practicable, so as to obtain the longest possible base line. It must then be apparent to the committent these observers, thus separated from each other, will afterwards, in order to determine the annual parallax of those from Washington as practicable, so as to obtain the longest possible base line. It must then be apparent to the committent the sun's parallax is appreciable, as it is admitted on all hands that these observers, thus separated from each other, will be successed.) It becomes important to determine the annual parallax of those from Washington as practicable, so as to obtain the longest possible base line. It must then be apparent to the committent the sun's parallax is derived from each other. It is admitted on all hands that these observers, thus separated from each other, will afterwards, in order to determine the annual parallax of those from Washington as practicable, so as to obtain the longest possible base line. It is admitted on all the committent that these observers, thus separated from each other, will afterwards, in order to determine the annual parallax of those from Washington as practicable, so as to obtain the longest possible base line. It is admitted on all the committent that these observers, thus separated from each other, will be seen perfectly transit of the committent that the committent House; the necessity for the inquiry was almost generally admitted; and, upon Lord John Russell's stating that he admitted; and, upon Lord John Russell's stating that he admitted; and, upon Lord John Russell's stating that he admitted; and, upon Lord John Russell's stating that he admitted; and, upon Lord John Russell's stating that he bank until it has stopped payment. Some months ago his observation and ascertainment, and from this difference the bank until it has stopped payment. Some months ago his observation and ascertainment, and from this difference the variance of the planet, when there will be difficulties of the sun, may by an into the inquiry, he withdrew his motion, and the necessity for the inquiry was almost generally tages. His exchequer is empty, and he has overdrawn the bank until it has stopped payment. Some months ago his observation and ascertainment, and from this difference the variance of the planet, when there will be difficulties of the planet, and there exists the inquiry has been appointed Minister of War, and M. Trouve feet confidence in the result. Another transit will take place parallax of the planet, and there exists the northern and southern observatories; besides, when extrameridional observations are resorted to, the small stars will not be visible so as to admit of accuracy of comparison at any considerable altitudes; and this would seem, by referring to the report of the committee, to be the opinion of those distinguished astronomers Encke and Gauss. Other gentlemen, however, had formed a favorable opinion of this method; and, Mr. E. observed that he would not pretend for a single instant to place his humble judgment in conflict with that of persons distinguished in the science of astronomy. With regard to any great alteration in the amount of parallax, it might be necessary here to remark upon its amount, as ascertained by a nethod entirely independent of any of those previously com mented upon, in order to see whether we were likely to arrive at such a result; Laplace, in the seventh book of the Memilitary posts to his faithful followers. He was admitted, but only to be arrested. His hundred partisans were disarmed, stripped even of their scarlet cravats, and turned adrift.

After the Chamber of Deputies and the Hotel de Ville had been purged of their new occupants, and after the arrest of several parties connected with the attempted revolution, who had in the first instance escaped, all Paris presented masses of national guards, moving in columns of thousands to the prallax, which shall diminish the probable error of the value obtained from the transit of Venus, there are different shades of opinion expressed. I do not see, however, that the two real parties are different nodes in 1761 and 1769, while the But, although but little if any alteration of the amount

of parallax, as now received, may be expected from this expedition, much good may undoubtedly, Mr. Chairman, be predicted of it. If it do not alter that amount, it may at least suffice to corroborate and to confirm it; and if this result only be clearly and evidently effected, a benefit will be conferred upon science far beyond the amount which it is proposed to appropriate; and, sir, that is the effect which may be expected of this expedition. But, further, indirect advantages, both ed of this expedition. But, further, indirect advantages, both in a scientific and practical sense, will in all probability flow from it. The positions of many of the stars of the southern hemisphere will be ascertained with greater accuracy, and the observations upon the planet itself will not be without their advantages, to say nothing of the great cuantity of useful in-formation, unpredicted in the beginning, which always flows from an expedition of this character. Sir, this may find its illustration in the vast labor of mathematicians in the improvement of analysis, and in the solution of problems apparently the most trivial in themselves, and, so far as human vision not already completely wearied by these details, be proper at could discern, the furthest removed from any practical applithis place to explain what this parallax is whose ascertainment has been thought worthy of so much labor and research. If the committee were tired of the subject he would proceed no further in it. [Cries of "Go on; we want to hear it."] Well, then, the committee will understand that the sun's parallax is the angle under which the semi-diameter of the earth would be seen if viewed from the sun's centre, and its unse is to ascertain the distances of the heavenly bodies, and use it is plain that an explanation of the moon with an accuracy before unattainable, which has led to the present completeness of the lunar tables, and has aimost doubled the commerce of the world. Yet who would have voted an appropriation for such a conduct their apparants to the present completeness of the lunar tables, and has aimost doubled the commerce of the world. Yet who would have voted an appropriation for such a conduction of the moon with an accuracy before unattainable, which has led to the present completeness of the lunar tables, and has aimost doubled the commerce of the world. Yet who would have voted an appropriation for such to reduce their apparent to their real places. It is plain that an analytic experiments? Sir, we must not measure the final observer, if he could be placed at the centre of the earth, usefulness of an expedition of this sort by our limited knowwould view a body situated at any finite distance higher than it would appear to another situated upon any part of the earth's surface. The effect of parallax is, then, to depress the body, and the amount of the parallax in altitude is always to be added to the observed in a littude is always to be added to the observed in the obser to be thod by untiring industry, unwearied patience, by skill or ambition or the hope of success, will be given to it by the labors avigaof Lieut. Gilliss abroad and of Lieut. Maury at the Washingof Lieut. Gilliss abroad and of Lieut. Maury at the Washington Observatory. It is only to be wished that this amendment had provided for the southern observer instruments of the highest excellence; these, however, he will by some means procure, and we may rest satisfied that whatever is capable of ascertainment will be discovered by him.

Mr. E. here concluded his remarks by returning his thanks to the members of these had a supplier of the concluded his remarks.

to the members of the committee for the very attentive hearing which they had given to him while discussing a question ge-nerally considered too dry and unentertaining to be listened to

with patience upon the floor of the House

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